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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND:

METHOD OF MANUFACTURING

SAME

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2002.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-8 are pending in the present application. No claims have been amended, canceled or added by the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claim 8 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph; Claims 1-6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Noda et al in view of Ueno et al; and Claims 7-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Noda et al in view of Ueno et al and Applicant's Figure 8.